Fiscal Year 2005 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program for Private Non-Profit Organizations

FACT SHEET

What is the Pre-Disaster Mitigation program?

FEMA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program will provide funds to states, territories, Indian tribes, communities, and colleges and universities for hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster event. The PDM program provides a significant opportunity to raise risk awareness and reduces the nation's disaster losses through pre-disaster mitigation planning and the implementation of cost-effective mitigation measures. The PDM program was authorized by Section 203 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Assistance and Emergency Relief Act (Stafford Act), 42 U.S.C. 5133 to assist states and communities to implement a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program to reduce overall risk to the population and structures, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding from actual disaster declarations. Approximately \$255 million is available for competitive grants, technical assistance, and program support for the FY 2005 PDM program. Applications for the FY 2005 funding cycle must be submitted to FEMA by March 14, 2005.

Who is eligible for the PDM program?

Eligible Applicants: Only a state emergency management agency or a similar office of the state, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as well as Federally-recognized Indian tribal governments are eligible to apply to FEMA for assistance as Applicants under the PDM program.

Eligible Sub-applicants: The following entities are eligible to apply to an Applicant for assistance: state-level agencies; Federally-recognized Indian tribal governments; local governments, including state-recognized Indian tribes, authorized Indian tribal organizations, and Alaska Native villages; public colleges and universities; and Indian tribal colleges and universities. Private non-profit (PNP) organizations and private colleges and universities are **not** eligible Sub-applicants; however, a relevant state agency or local government may apply to the Applicant for assistance on behalf of these PNP entities.

How does my PNP organization apply?

An eligible Sub-applicant, such as the local government where the PNP is located, may apply for a subgrant to mitigate a natural hazard at a PNP facility. Your PNP organization must work through an eligible sub-applicant that will apply on behalf of your organization. Consider Sub-applicants that have the same general mission as your PNP organization. For example, a state's cultural resource agency may be interested in applying for funds to mitigate a private museum or a city parks and recreation department may be interested in applying for funds to mitigate a local historical society's headquarters.

Where can I get more information?

Information on the PDM program can be found at http://www.fema.gov/fima/pdm.shtm. This PDM web page provides an overview of the program and links to program details. Alternatively, you may contact your State Hazard Mitigation Officer.